Section 3. The Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety, through the Division of Emergency Management is designated executive agent for the North Carolina State Government Complex Continuity of Operations Plan. The Secretary, with necessary coordination, will exercise approval authority for changes to this plan and assure it is reviewed at least annually and updated as necessary. The Department of Administration remains the lead agency for purposes of procuring and assigning alternate facilities to displaced agencies.

Section 4. Agency heads are reminded that an annual review of Continuity of Operations plans is due on November 1 of each year. Continuity of Operations plans are to be updated as necessary. Compliance with this requirement should be documented by reports submitted by November 15 each year from Executive Branch department heads to the Director of Emergency Management.

Section 5. By November 1, 2008, each North Carolina Executive Branch agency will revise its Continuity of Operations plan to conform to a standard format based on guidance from the Federal Emergency Management Agency and provided by the Secretary of Crime Control and Public Safety through the Division of Emergency Management.

<u>Section 6</u>. As with Executive Order No. 102, State agencies outside the Executive Branch and not directly subject to this order are invited and encouraged to comply with this order and to participate fully in the North Carolina Continuity of Operations planning effort.

<u>Section 7</u>. This order, together with Executive Order No. 102, will remain in effect until amended or rescinded.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in the City of Raleigh, this fourth day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and seven, and of the independence of the United States the two hundred thirty-first.

Michael F. Easley
Governor

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Elaine F. Marshall Secretary of State